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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Brian R. Murphy et al.

Application No.: 09/444,221

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For: PRODUCTION OF ATTENUATED
RESPIRATORY SYNCYTIAL VIRUS
VACCINES FROM CLONED
NUCLEOTIDE SEQUENCES

Examiner: Unassigned

Art Unit: 1642

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculating the claims fee, please enter the following amendments in the above-identified application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

At page 1, please delete lines 7-11 setting forth cross-references to related applications and substitute therefor the following: This application is a divisional of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/892,403, ^{now U.S. Patent 5,993,824} filed July 15, 1997; which is a Continuation-In-Part of U.S. Provisional Application Nos. 60/047,634, filed May 23, 1997; 60/046,141, filed May 9, 1997; and 60/021,773, filed July 15, 1996. --